

European Power Supplies Manufacturers' Association EEIG

2Q18 Management Committee Meeting Minutes

Venue: PCIM conference, Nuremberg, Germany

Date: 5th June 2018

Present were:

MC Members

Bernhard Erdl	(BE)	Puls, Chairman
Manfred Schlenk	(MS)	Infineon, Vice Chairman
Paul Lee	(PL)	(secretariat)
Hannes Schachenmayr	(HS)	Vicor
Frank Vondenhoff	(FV)	Bel Power
Marius Ciorica	(MC)	Nextys
Dave Connett	(DC)	EPCOS
Andreas Hoischen	(AH)	Delta
Paul Conway	(PC)	TC Chairman
Diarmuid Hogan	(DH)	Excelsys

Apologies:

Allesandro Leopardi	Efore
John Quinlan	Murata
Scott Parish	Murata
Vlad Grigore	Efore
Mathias Emsermann	Phoenix Contact
Miro Adnan	TI
Torsten Herbert	Siemens

Guests

Matjek Šmidovnik	(MS)	SiQ
Esa Vakevainen	(EV)	Murrelektronik
Kai Heinemann	(KH)	Block Transformatoren

Actions from last meeting

Summary versions of technical documents on website. Outstanding. Will be done for next MC meeting **Action PL**

UL508 to IEC 61010 transition. Further clarification needed from UL. Michael Raspotnig from Puls has provided information see later **Done**

PL will put RW on the EPSMA newsletter distribution and put a link to ZVEI on www.epsma.org. **Done**

New technical papers - Members are asked to respond by 20th April to PL at the secretariat. PL will then make changes as necessary and release. Feedback received. Action with PL to format docs and release to website **Action PL**

New topics for technical papers members to consider. Discussed at this meeting.

CE marking Issues – members to set up procedures to inform PL **Outstanding**

Technical Committee update

Paul Conway, technical committee chairman gave his quarterly report. This is attached to these minutes in a copy of the meeting foils.

Highlights:

New revisions of the following documents have been reviewed by MC members and are ready to be approved for release by MC members at this meeting.

“CE Marking Guidance for Power Supplies”

“PFC Harmonic Current Emissions Guide to EN61000-3-2:2014”

“Accurate Efficiency measurements”

There may be an update at a later date to the ‘accurate efficiency measurements’ document if information is received about the ‘power circulation method’ from a university contact.

Membership Update

No changes

Finance Update

No document sales

Projected surplus for FY17/18 £3793

All membership fees up to date.

Accounts for FY16/17 were passed to BE for audit.

Website Update

Password access method for members will need to change before end August as the feature is being withdrawn from the host. PL exploring options **Action PL**

Website traffic holding constant with most visitors interested in technical publications and member details. Most hits in previous month from USA followed by Germany, France, India and Russia.

UL508/IEC61010 discussion

Miichael Raspotnig from Puls has contacted UL with the following comments:

The status about the UL topics are as follows:

- UL published a new revision of the UL 508A in April 2018. Unfortunately one of the three topics, which we had submitted to UL a while ago, was not considered.
- Compared to UL 508, a power supply applying to UL 61010-2-201 is still not allowed to be loaded with more than 50% of its rated current in UL 508A panels. This is not acceptable and I immediately complained and got in touch with UL Northbrook.
- They shared my concerns and explained that this paragraph was overlooked and forgotten to be changed. They promised to provide a correction and clarification in June. I hope they will do so.

- I am working on the white paper for the transition from UL 508 to UL 61010-2-201. I almost have the German version ready and am working on the English version next. I plan to have it finished by end of the month.

The meeting agreed that no further action is necessary by EPSMA for now.

IEC 62368 etc

There was a wide-ranging discussion about IEC 62368 and other standards with a general feeling that gap analyses between the standards would be very useful, possibly as next projects for the TC.

It was noted that replacement date of EN 60950-1 by EN 62368-1 has been delayed to 20-12-2020 as it is still in the adoption process by the EU commission.

BE commented that he understood that from July 2019 CE marking using EN 60950-1 was not valid. An alternative is to CE mark using EN 61010 though this needs a detailed analysis of the differences.

MS commented that compliance with EN 61010 is more 'difficult' than EN 60950.

MS commented that he thought EN 61204 will not be widely adopted. Currently only one Finnish test house is using it.

The anomalous situation that UL is not accepting Nationally Recognised Test Laboratory product approvals outside of the US was discussed with the cost consequence to members.

MS reiterated the offer from Gregor Schoss of SiQ of training for EPSMA members on EN 62368-1 in their offices in Ljubljana. Suggested date is autumn 2018 or early 2019.

AGM – UL discussion

Representatives from UL Germany have offered to attend the EPSMA AGM at Electronica in November. It was agreed that we should have an advance plan to put forward member concerns about costs and service levels. The questions and statements by EPSMA should be prepared before the next conference call for review and agreement and then forwarded to UL so they can have answers prepared as well for the meeting.

To do this it was agreed that a sub-committee be set up to drive the actions. PL will ask for volunteers and coordinate.

Action PL

Any other Business

Next meeting is a conference call on the 6th September at 2pm European time. Call in details will be distributed nearer the date.

Rolf Winter from ZVEI has kindly offered a meeting room for the AGM at Electronica in November